

Trunk Highways
Earn Money to Build
the Side-Roads

It is more or less obvious that well-kept trunk highways which attract heavy tourist traffic enable a state to build good roads in sections so thinly populated that their traffic-revenue is negligible.

But the facts about this matter have never been so forcefully presented as in some data sheets that E. M. Baker of the Portland Cement Association, Little Rock office, left with me last week-end.

Portland Cement data assumes that since registration fees from motor vehicles will more than cover the cost of maintaining a road the revenue from gasoline tax is an operating profit on the road.

The cement association takes as an example U. S. 67 from Gordon 10 miles south. This 10-mile stretch averages 2,500 cars and trucks per day. Assuming an average of 13.5 miles per gallon (including trucks), and gasoline tax of six and one-half cents per gallon, this is a revenue per mile per day of \$4,385. Since the road has been built 17 years it has earned a total of \$74,715 per mile.

Portland Cement claims original cost of the concrete surfacing was \$22,000 per mile — leaving an operating profit over the 17-year period of \$54,715 per mile.

Where did the profit go? It wasn't all waste and graft. Concrete was sold at 10 cents per cubic yard. U. S. 70 earned money so less heavily-traveled sections of Arkansas might have highways, too.

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Finally, even though this report was participated in by an interested material company — Portland Cement — it was double-checked by engineers, and the published findings more or less check with what the average citizen has found for himself when traveling over these same roads.

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Holiday Deaths
Total 711 for
July 4, Record

By The Associated Press
The nation's accidental death toll over the Fourth of July holiday — a record breaking 711 — was "shameful and disgraceful," says the National Safety Council.

The 711 killed in violent accidents over the three-day period was the highest ever reported for a Fourth of July holiday and near the record for any holiday period.

The final count in the state-by-state survey showed 215 traffic fatalities, 25 more than the 190 estimated by the council; 256 drownings, and 140 killed from miscellaneous causes. The tabulation covered a period from 6 p. m. last Friday to midnight Monday.

The nation's heaviest accidental death toll for a holiday period was 761 for four days in Christmas week of 1936. Of the total, 555 were killed in traffic mishaps. The previous high for the Independence day holiday was 628 in 1941.

Cotton Crop
Outlook Is
Some Better

Little Rock, July 6 — (AP) — The crop reporting service says the cotton crop is looking better as it is worked out and responds to favorable growing conditions.

Much of it is almost lost in the grass, however, and a considerable acreage has been plowed up and planted to corn and some other crop, the service said in its weekly summary of conditions for the week ending yesterday.

Boll weevils have been more prevalent than usual, the report said. Rice is growing well, but prospects are not quite as good as they were at this time last year, the report said.

WEATHER FORECAST
Arkansas: Cloudy with showers in the north, central and south. Not much change in temperature this afternoon. Tonight, not much change in temperature.

British Hold
Dollar Value
But Curb Buying

London, July 6 — (AP) — Sir Stafford Cripps today banned further commitments for purchase in the dollar area except where "urgent national interest is proved."

He reported the sterling area's reserves are down to \$1,624,000,000 after dropping radically in the last six months, but he said Britain has "not the slightest intention of devaluing the pound."

Existing contracts for collateral purchases will stay in force. Cripps told the House of Commons, but the treasury will permit further spending only "where a clear case of urgent national interest is established."

Cripps, chancellor of the exchequer and Britain's economic chief, declared Britain must reduce the price of her products to encourage exports. He said this can be done through efficiency of production and "we have no desire to see wages cut."

A "standstill" in dollar buying which Cripps ordered will continue at least until September. By then U. S. 70 earned money so less heavily-traveled sections of Arkansas might have highways, too.

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You Can Always
Be Thankful
You Weren't There

Lancaster, Pa., July 6 — (AP) — Hot? Think nothing of it. After all, you could have been hotter. You could have been in Albert Reitz's greenhouse.

Reitz was mopping his brow, looking at the thermometer that registered 101 degrees yesterday when suddenly, wham!

A terrific blast shook the greenhouse and 30 panes of heavy glass were blown from the building.

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Buying Curb
Will Certainly
Hurt U. S. Trade

New York, July 6 — (AP) — Foreign traders today saw in Britain's latest curb on buying American products another push downhill for the United States' sliding exports.

They also gloomily predicted further losses of world markets by American traders to the British, who today announced a renewed drive to sell more English goods abroad. It came at a time when American-made goods are backing up in the warehouses because of dwindling foreign markets.

Sir Stafford Cripps' announcement today that Britain will further cut purchases from dollar areas was bad news for American tobacco, wheat and cotton farmers, and gasoline refiners. They figured their products would be blacklisted by the British as items they could use less of under a tighter austerity program. These products are all in surplus supply in this country and looking for markets abroad.

The chancellor of the exchequer's report on Britain's finances was also bad news in general for exporters who only yesterday were told by the commerce department that further slides in export volume in May carried American outgoing trade well below the monthly average of the first quarter of the year.

Washington, July 6 — (AP) — Secretary of State Acheson said today that, if Britain is to solve its economic problems for long term, it must improve its ability to compete in world markets.

In a news conference comment on the British economic crisis — which Acheson said he does not consider to be a great crisis — the secretary said the heart of the issue is Britain's power in competitive selling.

Acheson said he has every confidence that the British will be able to make the necessary readjustments for the switch from a sell to a buy country in the upper half of the world.

He declined comment on activities in Europe of Treasury John Snyder, the senior U. S. official now abroad. Snyder is making a tour of treasury officials.

On other matters, Acheson told his new conference that the United States is delivering to Nationalist China all the economic aid which can effectively deliver now. That was Acheson's response to a request for comment on a new appeal from Chiang Kai-shek for American support.

The United States puts no restrictions on trade with Russia, except on strategic materials, but the Soviet union places a great many obstacles in the way of trade with the United States, including halting the sale of manganese.

Ohio counted four deaths from the heat and uncounted prostrations. Toledo's 99.3 reading was the year's highest and a record for July 6. At Springfield and Youngstown, the heat index was 103.

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Insurance Post



Gilsen Ross, native of Hempstead county, this month took over as Metropolitan Life Insurance agent for Hope. He replaces Ed Morris who was transferred.

Mr. Ross is a well-known Hope athlete and plays third base for the Legion baseball team. Prior to accepting his new post he was connected with Repphan's Department Store.

He has just returned from Atlanta, Ga., where he completed a two-weeks instruction course.

City Goes All
Out to Nab
Sex Offender

Knoxville, Tenn., July 6 — (UP) — The city council here declared all-out war last night against a "sex fiend" who has reportedly attacked 17 or more women over a period of months on the vicinity of the University of Tennessee.

Councilmen placed a \$1,000 price on the head of an attacker with a nickel-plated revolver and a flashlight who has criminally assaulted at least five university co-eds.

With the search brought into the open, Police Chief Joe Kimsey revealed that details of as many as eight plainclothesmen have reportedly laid unsuccessful traps for the man.

Kimsey said confidential police reports list criminal attacks on six women, five of them university students, in the last seven months. Kimsey said assaults had been attempted in four other cases.

However, Vice Mayor Milton Roberts told council he has information that the man ravished at least 17 women, many of them prominent citizens of the west Knoxville area where the university is located.

Kimsey said the same suspect is implicated in 43 West Knoxville burglaries.

Roberts said there are perhaps other victims who have never reported to the authorities.

Councilman George Dempster added a \$100 price to the \$1,000 reward which the group quickly voted for the person, policeman or private citizen, who ferrets out the culprit.

Dempster said Knoxville has returned "to the time of the vigilantes" and called for the capture of the man "dead or alive."

He suggested that a curfew be imposed in the area where the gun-carrier has been operating.

Kimsey said five officers have been ordered into a full-time search for the prowler. He said more than 150 suspects have been questioned and 400 sets of fingerprints checked.

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The cost of the markers is estimated at over \$2,000 and will be a beautiful addition to our city, and a monument to the unselfish public spirit of the men of the Lions Club, and to their courage in undertaking such a gigantic task.

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The biggest trouble with a dud-gut is—you can't budget it.

Middle age is just a man's compromise between a growing sense of responsibility and a growing sense of insufficiency.

A lazy man's boldest act is the seizure of leisure.

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Says Business
May Frighten
Into Recession

Washington, July 6 — (AP) — Senator Flanders (R-Vt.) said today the only real danger to the nation's economy is the possibility of businessmen "frightening themselves into a recession."

The Vermontor, who used to be a manufacturer, expressed the hope that President Truman will address a "dam good pep talk" to merchants and manufacturers in the economic report he is scheduled to send to congress soon.

"Many of them are pursuing a perfectly silly course by curtailing their supply of goods and materials when there is good reason for doing so," Flanders told a reporter.

"There still is plenty of consumer demand for goods at the right prices, but a reduction of inventories and a subsequent cut in production could dry up the market artificially and cause trouble."

Flanders is a member of the senate-house economic committee, which will study the President's forthcoming report. He was chairman of the board of Jones and Lamson Machine Co. in Springfield, Vt., until he resigned in 1946 to become a senator.

The senator said he is inclined to think it would be best for the government to adopt a hands-off policy with respect to business conditions at present.

"This situation, this slight falling off of business will be over very shortly if the government will just go slow and confine its role for now to just some good advice," Flanders declared.

The President, he added, should tell business that "there are in existence no fundamental barriers to good employment, good wages and good inventories."

There has been some talk in congress that Mr. Truman, in his mid-year economic report, might finally stop insisting on enactment of the anti-inflation program he first outlined in 1947.

Senator Sparkman (D-Ala.), for one, has said that the President ought instead to map plans for "defending us against a sliding deflationary spiral."

Flanders commented, however, that he doesn't look for Mr. Truman to back away altogether from his inflation control program.

"Street Markers, the project of the Hope Lions Club is a tremendous undertaking for a group so completely small in number. Certainly the members of the club are to be congratulated and commended for planning and carrying out a project which has the approval of so many people, and which represents such a great need for the community," B. D. Forsythe, manager of the Hope Chamber of Commerce said this morning.

"During the Community Development Clinics which the Chamber of Commerce held last February, when the voice of the people was heard, a very large number of citizens expressed the desire to see the city of Hope marked. The plan of the Lions Club provides an easy and almost painless method of financing such a venture."

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The louder anyone flatters you with his mouth, the more he is laughing at you in his heart.

It is funny how many families become sophisticated in America after crude oil is discovered on grandpa's farm.

Mrs. Levicia Emma Black, 65, a resident of Guernsey, died early today in a Hope hospital.

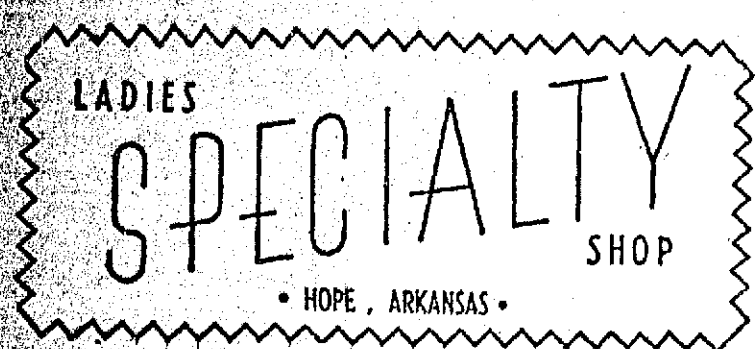
She is survived by her husband J. W. Black, 3 sons, Newt and Hubert of Guernsey, Clarence of Digaton, Kan., three daughters, Mrs. Charles Coleman of Mineral Springs, Myrtle and Nettie Black of Guernsey, four sisters, Mrs. Nellie Yarbrough of Hot Springs, Mrs. Isaac Sanders of Little Rock, Mrs. Mary Jane Buck of Muna, Mrs. Fanny Arnold of Black Springs.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Through Bus
Service to
Be Inaugurated

Memphis, July 6 — (AP) — Through bus service from Memphis to Dallas, with stops at three Arkansas points, will be started July 18. The Arkansas Motor Coaches and Continental Trailways bus system will join in the operation, officials of the two firms announced last night.

The Arkansas stops will be in Little Rock, Hot Springs and Texarkana.



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ON SALE

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MATERIALS

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Mostly all Junior Sizes. Cottons,
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Junior and regular sizes. Group is
small, but every one a standout
in style and fabric.

• DRESSES and
SUNBACKS

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Formerly \$10.98

Hurry you'll be amazed at this
group. All sizes.

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SUNBACKS

775

Formerly \$12.98

A group worth fighting over, ex-
cuse me this is a theatre building
not a boxing arena.

• DRESSES and
SUNBACKS

875

Formerly \$14.98

If you really want to buy a dress
you're sure to find one in this group.

• DRESSES and
SUNBACKS

1075

Formerly \$17.98

Exceptional group.
All sizes from 9 to 44.

• DRESSES

1332

Formerly \$19.98

Carlye's, Ellen Kayes, Franklin
and a lot of other famous brands

• DRESSES

1500

Formerly \$22.95

Famous Brands at a real low price.

• DRESSES

1666

Formerly \$25.00

Don't miss this group. The best
in styling and fabrics.

• DRESSES

1967

Formerly \$29.98

Yes you save \$9.99 per dress
Who could ask for more.

• DRESSES

500

Formerly to 12.98

A special group. Every one an
Extra Bargain

• DRESSES

300

Small Group. Hurry —
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Social Calendar

Thursday, July 7
The Alpha Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet at the City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 7.

There will be a Pot Luck supper at Oddfellows Hall on South Elm at 8 p.m. Thursday. All odd fellows, relatives and families are invited. Men will be furnished by Bill Boyd and his team.

The Willing Workers class of the Hope Gospel Tabernacle will meet at Oddfellows Hall at 7:45 p.m. Thursday, July 7. Mrs. Cliff Russell and Mrs. John Morris will be hostesses for the meeting. All members are urged to attend.

Family Reunion

Held at Ames Home
A reunion of the children and their families of Mrs. Roberta Gilbert, was held Sunday in the home of a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ames, on Route 3, Hope.

A buffet dinner was enjoyed at noon, and a huge watermelon was served in the afternoon. All children were present except Mrs. Sam White and Mrs. Alma Durren of Santa Ana, Cal.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gilbert and children Suzanne and James Edward of Danville, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gilbert of Dennison, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Pate, Jr., and son, Mr. P. H. Pate, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Darwin and daughter, Judy and Linda of Orange, Cal.; Sam White of Santa Ana, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swann and son, Orle Samuel of Malvern, Ark.; Mr. and Mrs. Baker of Camden; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ames and son, Jimmie Dale; Mrs. Everett Ames; Miss Rosa Mae Gilbert; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gilbert and son Billy Wayne; and Mrs. Roberta Gilbert.

Mrs. Alfred Bearden

Honoree at Shower
Mrs. Alfred Bearden was honoree at a pink and blue shower, Tuesday night given by Mrs. Tom Butler, Mrs. William Butler and Mrs. Dale Clark, in the home of Mrs. Clark.

For the occasion, the house was attractively decorated with summer flowers. Games were enjoyed and prizes were awarded to Mrs. L. J. Purdie, Mrs. Ivy Mitchell, Mrs. Clifton Booth and Miss Juanita Byers.

The honoree was presented a lovely basket of gifts after which the hostesses served ice cream and cake to 28 guests.

Auxiliary to VFW

Hears Report on State Convention
The Auxiliary to the VFW met at 8 p.m. Tuesday, at the VFW hut for the regular monthly meeting. Mrs. Hinton Davis, president, presided over the business session.

Mrs. John Keck and Mrs. Edward Aslin gave very interesting reports on the State Convention held in Little Rock June 26-28. Mrs. Keck told of the talk made by V. C. Putnam of Fayetteville, who is one of the 13 founders of the VFW. Mr. Putnam gave the history of the organization and how it was chartered in October, 1899 in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Keck also gave the highlights of the splendid talk given by Mrs. Charles Dewitt, who is the past National President of St. Paul, Minn. at the convention.

During the social hour,iced drinks were served to 20 members.

Coming and Going

Miss Marilyn Hayden and Babb Edmonds of Tulsa, Okla. were fourth-of-July holiday guests of Mrs. Ruth Edmonds and Miss Bettye Babb.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jobe of Norman, Okla. were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Faye James. They were accompanied home Monday by Mrs. Jobe's sister, Miss Loretta James.

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Housing Plan to Help Low Income Group

(Editor's note: This is the first of a series on the new housing program.)

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington, July 5 — (AP) — More than 25,000,000 low-income people live in slums or run-down city or farm homes. They can't afford better.

Now the government will help some of them through a public housing program.

Although it isn't big enough to help all of them, many millions of people will benefit since it will spread over a period of years.

It has three aims:

1. To get rid of slums. No one expects all the slums to be wiped out by this program. But it should make a dent in them.

2. Another \$2 billion or so in loans. Since these will be paid back, the government won't be out this money.

Except in the case of hard-up farmers, none of the money goes directly to individuals, poor or otherwise.

It goes to cities and communities. They'll have to hire private contractors to clear the slums and build the public housing for them.

When they can't foot the bill themselves, they'll get money help from the government.

They'll handle the slum clearance and run the public housing when it's built. The government's chief role is to see that the plans make sense before it dishes out any money.

The public housing goal is 810,000 family units in the next six years. A unit can be a place with one bedroom, or two or three bedrooms, plus the other usual rooms.

Since there are millions of people in the slums, the 810,000 units can't take care of all of them in six years.

But over 40 years that much housing can handle millions of people. For example:

A low-income family is allowed to move in. In time, its income goes up. Then it must move out of the low-rent public housing to make room for another low-income family.

But the government won't let any city use federal money to wipe out a slum unless there's a low-

rent place for the slum-dwellers to go.

For that reason, the public housing part of the program probably will be the first to start. Slum clearance can follow.

This program clearly means the government acknowledges it has a responsibility to see that American people are decently housed.

Nevertheless, because this is a limited program, it's only a move in that direction. It's not going to solve all housing problems.

Congress has approved the program and President Truman shortly will sign it into law. Then it can start.

Families allowed in the new public housing must have incomes too low to afford adequate new or old housing. And —

The rents charged in the public housing must be at least 20 percent less than the lowest private rents in decent dwellings in the area.

The average rent probably will be around \$23, plus \$7 for utilities. Some families will pay more, some less. For example:

Two families living side by side in exactly the same kind of public housing may pay different rents. That will depend on their income, which affects their ability to pay.

This is not all new and sudden. Congress has been investigating the problem intensively for the past four years.

And in 1937 congress passed a housing act. Under it 123,000 dwellings have been provided in 288 localities in 37 states.

Prescott News

Wednesday, July 6

There will be a mid-week meeting at the First Christian church Wednesday evening at 7:30. Mrs. C. E. Wagner will conduct the meeting. Choir rehearsal will immediately follow the prayer service.

Wednesday night at 8:30 at the First Baptist church the young people will have recreation and fellowship at 7 o'clock, there will be a teachers meeting, 7:45 prayer meeting, 8:30 adult and youth choir rehearsal.

The Ladies auxiliary of the Central Baptist church will meet Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at the church.

Choir practice, prayer service and a Bible lesson will be given at the Central Baptist church from 7:30 to 9 p.m. G. E. Tanner will give the Bible lesson through July and August in the absence of the pastor H. G. Burch.

Thursday, July 7

The choir of the Presbyterian church will sing at the church rehearsal at 7:30.

The Junior teams of the Prescott softball league Co. C. vs Hard-ware will play at Cummins Field at 6 p.m.

The Senior teams Co. C. vs Ward; Hardware vs Boswells of the Prescott softball league will play at Cummins Field at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, July 8

The Prescott community band, under the direction of R. E. Lindblad will present a concert on the Court House lawn Friday evening at 8 o'clock. "Maivern Night" will be featured.

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Drought Ruins Crops in Wide Area

By The Associated Press

A scorching 42-day drought apparently has killed or spoiled more than \$50,000,000 worth of crops in the farmlands of eight northeastern states.

Moreover, farm experts warn, the damage in the area's rich fruit, vegetable and dairy regions will soar to a vastly higher figure if rains do not come in a few days.

The parched drought region stretches from southern New Jersey's truck crops areas up through the dairies and farms of New York state, and then fans out over almost the whole of southern New England.

The drought, which has inflicted its searing damage for more than six weeks, comes from a sluggish high pressure area that fights off potential rainstorms.

Until that high pressure area is shoved aside, the drought will last. New Jersey's drought damage

has reached an estimated \$28,000,000. Loss in the potato crop alone accounts for \$4,500,000.

And, along with the temperature, prices of fruit and vegetables have been climbing.

On Long Island, the big potato crop has suffered by \$4,000,000 and truck crops are reported severely damaged.

Further north, in New York state's rich farm and dairy lands, the story is the same.

An Erie county, N. Y., agricultural agent estimates more than \$1,000,000 may be lost to dairy farmers in Erie and Niagara counties.

Strawberry growers in Erie county, he said, will lose about a quarter million dollars worth of their fruit.

The general crop outlook, a state agriculture department official said, is "a mixture of good and bad."

The same type crop, he explained, will show up well in one region and bad in another.

Fruit and vegetable men in the mid-New York state area have been heavy losers, according to Prof. F. B. Morris, state leader of county agricultural areas.

Prof. Morris termed storms that in some parts of New York state yesterday as a "million dollar rain."

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Reno Seems to Have Enjoyed Changeabout

Reno, Nev., July 5 (UP)—Millionaires, card dealers and cowboy crooners took off bar aprons and went back to their own occupations today after the wackiest Fourth of July celebration on record here. The city's bars and restaurants were struck by the AFL Bartend-

ers and Restaurant Workers union Sunday as an estimated 25,000 tourists thronged the nation's widest-open city during a three-day rodeo celebration. The strike closed the town's 150 restaurants.

Mother! LOOK FOR THIS NAME

It solves child dosage problems. Easy to give—no breaking of tablets. Assures accurate dosage—each tablet is 1/4 adult dose. Easy to take, orange flavored.



Navy will face, in order, Southern California, Princeton, Duke, Wisconsin, Penn., Notre Dame, Tulane, Columbia and Army, during the 1949 football season.

CLIPPED ANGEL

By Clive Grieron Cornish

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The Story: Mike McTig, a mining engineer, is investigating the falling off of production at the Dark Angel, the mine inherited by Cory Parrett from his father. Mike finds samplings he secretly took from the mine have a higher ore content than disclosed by the mine assayer. But Mike is unable to find out who is stealing ore or how it is being done. He thinks the ore is being sold through a dummy mine. When Mike is just about to give up he realizes that he has found evidence that the nearby Argus Mine is the dummy. Then Mike discovers a rail line in the unused drift of the Dark Angel that shows signs of being used regularly.

I flashed my light down the cross-cut and explored it. It was blocked about 30 feet ahead, where the ingging had collapsed from the weight of crumbled rock above it. It looked as if it had been that way for years, and I was trying to figure out how they got by it, when I heard the rumble of a train of cars coming down the main tunnel. My first impulse was to stay put and let it go by. Suddenly I realized that at this time of night there wasn't supposed to be anyone working in the mine. I fit out of that cross-cut and into the main tunnel before I'd finished thinking about it. I spotted a manway to the next level about 20 feet back and I was up and into it three seconds before the locomotive's headlight threw shadows on the tunnel wall. The loco stopped and I could hear a swishing, as if somebody

Britons Are Promised Some Relief

London, July 5 (UP)—A parched and drought-seared Britain today after brief showers which did little more than settle the dust of the nation's withering fields.

At western Europe was sweltering in its fourth week of heat and drought. Dwindling water supplies caused crop failures and curtailed industrial production. In London, less than 1-100 inch of rain fell in the city last night to give inhabitants the first break in a 21-day drought. Four hundredths of an inch fell in some parts of southern England, but not enough to rescue crops and replenish emptying reservoirs.

I was curious to know where I was. I closed the doors behind me, wriggled through a high window and played my flashlight on the outside of the building. It stood on the unnumbered gulch in one of the unnumbered gulches that helped to give Umbrella Mountain its name. The sloping ground behind it had been excavated and the building looked exactly what it was—a half-underground garage. And there was no reason why it shouldn't. A clipped enamel sign on the front proclaimed "Property of State Highway Department—Penalty for Trespassing—\$100." I made sure I'd left no traces. Then I started walking along the road towards the townsite, around a rib of the mountain and about half a mile away.

I was nearly out on my feet when I got back. I slept until noon and by the time I saw Cory it was in the afternoon. She had shed her weatherstained khaki and was every inch an heiress in tailored tweeds. "Whenever you're ready, Mike, we'll start. I've got to go into town and see Doug about that offer for the mine."

"What's the name of the lawyer who made the offer?" I asked. "Hennessy—I think." "Hennessy? The missing piece it fitted like the missing piece in a puzzle." "Hennessy," I said, "is the name of the guy who fronts for Argus Mines. And Argus Mines Incorporated is flourishing mightily—on high-grade ore stolen from the Dark Angel." She looked at me blankly. "Is this another theory, Mike?" "Put on your hat—if you wear along, I'll show you something in a hat with that rig—and come along."

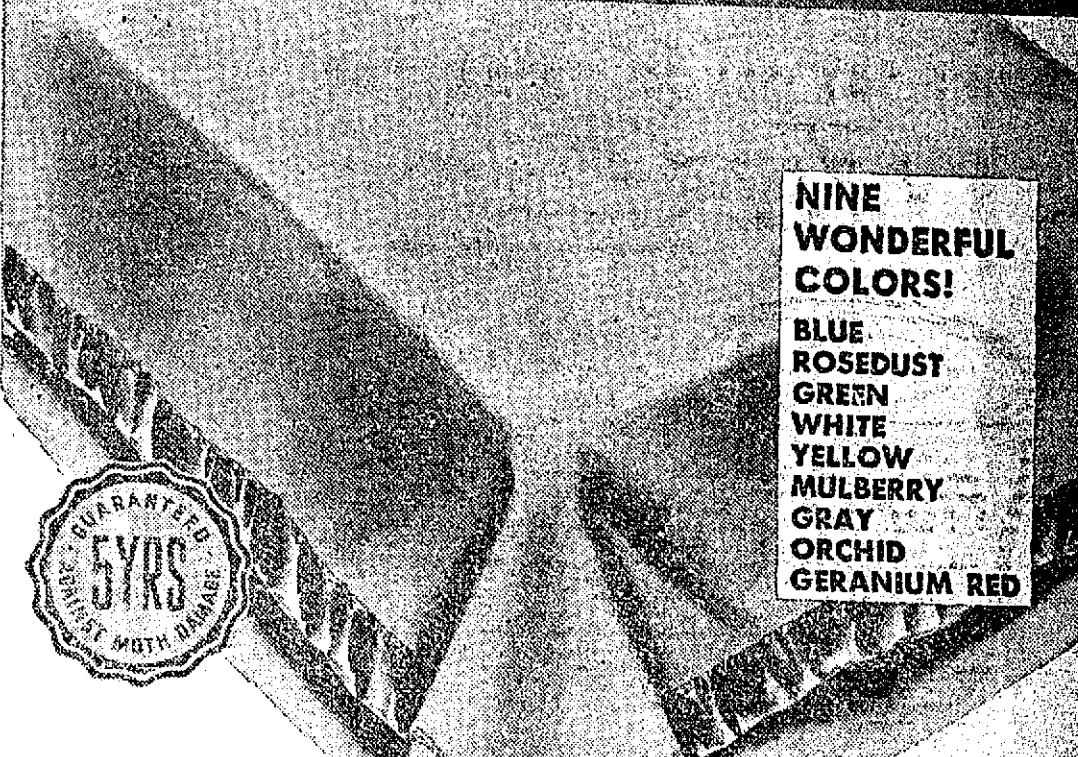
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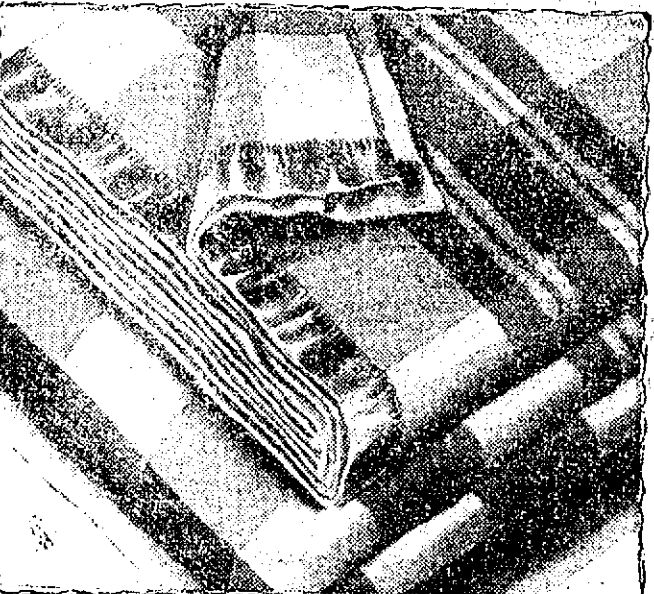
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DOROTHY DIX Simple Life Best

"Dear Miss Dix: I read what you said about people finding happiness in simple things. That's the boloney. You are all wet. How can I be happy without a car when I see other young fellows speeding around in their fine sports cars. How can I be happy when I have to take girls to cheap places when other boys can take girls out and give them a big time? How can my girl friend be happy dressed in hand-me-downs when she sells Paris clothes to other girls? How can anybody be happy without money and the things that money buys? They can't. Happiness is simple things. Bah.

Answer: Happiness is a state of mind, son. It isn't possessions. Some of the most bitterly unhappy people I have ever known in my life had millions of dollars, but they couldn't buy happiness with it. And conversely some of the happiest people I have ever known had almost nothing in the way of money, but they had peace and contentment and joy in living. The richest man that I have ever personally known was the most miserable. He had a diseased body

so that he never knew a moment that was free from pain. He had magnificent homes all over this country and in Europe, but in none of them was there love and happiness. His wife had married him for his money and she was a brilliant social figure who flitted here and there, leaving him a lonely old man, to the ministrations of servants. His children not only showed him no affections, but had the usual way of very rich men's children into every sort of scandal.

Now I do not despise money or belittle it. A certain amount of it is absolutely necessary to happiness in our present state of civilization. No one can be happy who is hungry, or cold, or lacks a shelter, or who is tormented with anxiety about how to get enough money to live on decently and in you have that you have practically all that money will buy you in the way of comfort, but after that money will buy you in the way of happiness. You can eat only so much. You can only wear one suit of clothes at a time. You can endure only a certain degree of heat. You can only live in one house. And the ability to have more doesn't make you able to assimilate more food, or give you a better appetite, or make you able to endure a higher temperature, or superimpose one garment on another.

So we come back at last to the fact that we must find our happiness in simple things. We must get it out of good health—our physical well-being—since no one can be happy who is sick and suffering. We must get it out of human affections, since no one can be happy who is lonely or lacks congenial companionship. We must get it out of finding entertainment and amusement in the passing show of life in books, in magazines, in the cinema, in all the myriad things that are happening in this thrilling old world of ours. We must get it out of our own thoughts and our own attitude toward life. And these things are as free to the poor as they are to the rich.

Once a woman and her little daughter came to visit me. For dessert at dinner we had ice cream which the child greatly desired, but was not permitted to eat. I said by way of consolation: "Well, Annie, we won't have any more ice cream while you are here." To which her mother replied: "Not at all. All her life Annie has to see people having things she wants and can't have without making herself miserable over it, and the sooner she learns this lesson, the better for her."

I have always thought this one of the wisest things I have ever heard anybody say, and that in it the secret of how to be happy.

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Answer: It looks to me as if you were fed up on girls so that you had lost your appetite for their society. Why don't you give yourselves a change? Quit going to see the girls every night. Interest yourselves in sports. If you can afford it, go off on a nice long trip somewhere. Camping in the woods or to some other Eveless Eden.

And, of course, the reason you get tired of girls is because you haven't met THE girl yet. When you do she will hold your interest and you won't be able to get enough of her society.

But take my advice on this point, boys. Don't marry while you are still so fickle. The real reason you tire of girls is you know so quickly is because your minds are in a state of flux, your taste is changing every day. You are demanding different charms and attributes in girls and that is why the girl you are crazy about one day bores you to tears the next.

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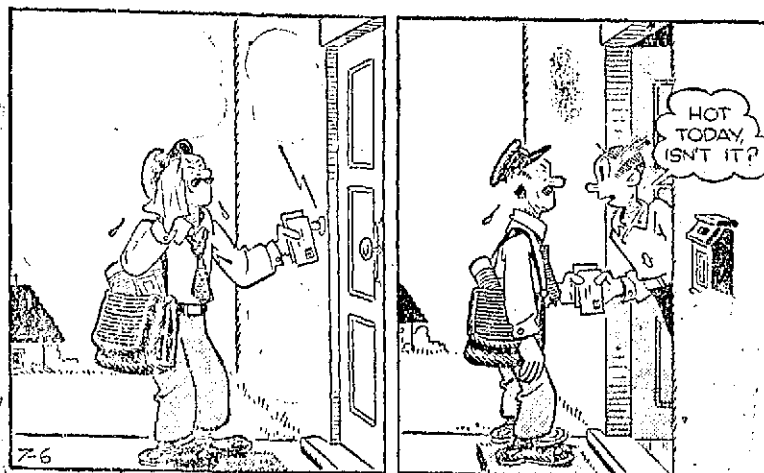
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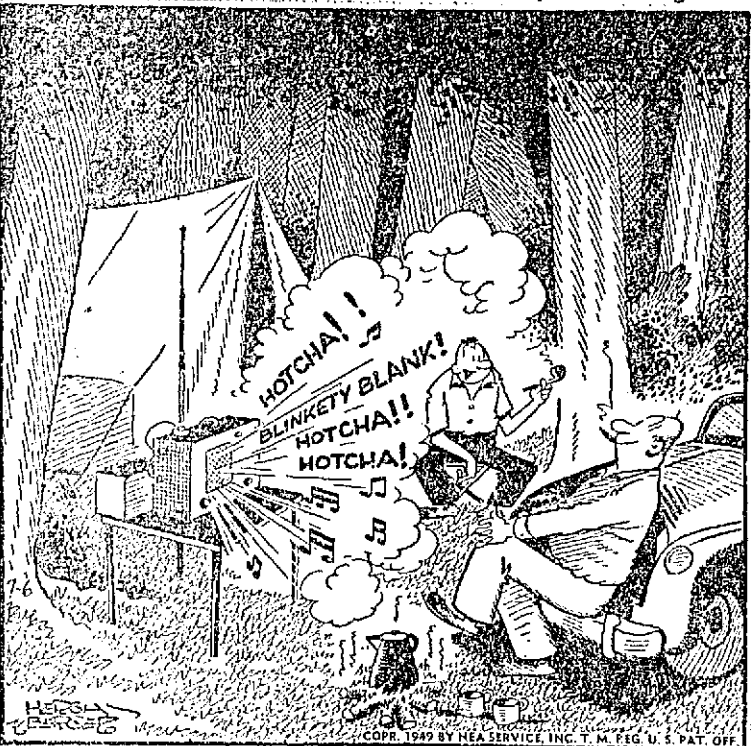
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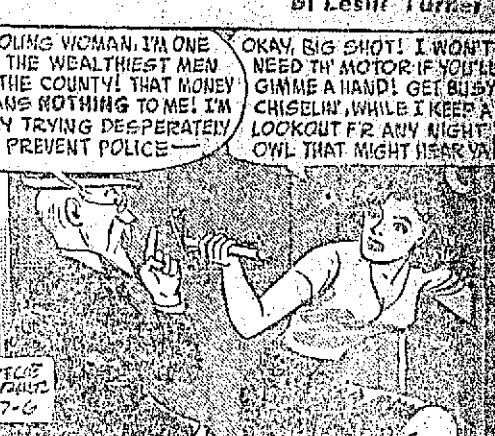
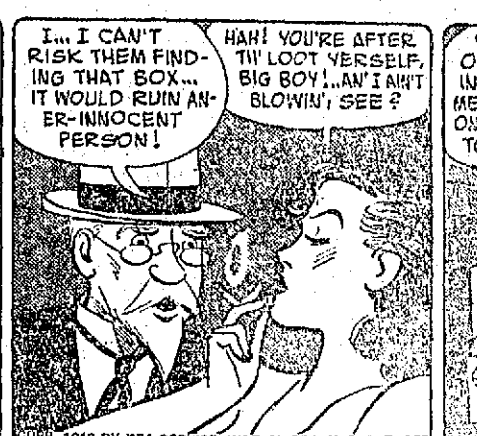
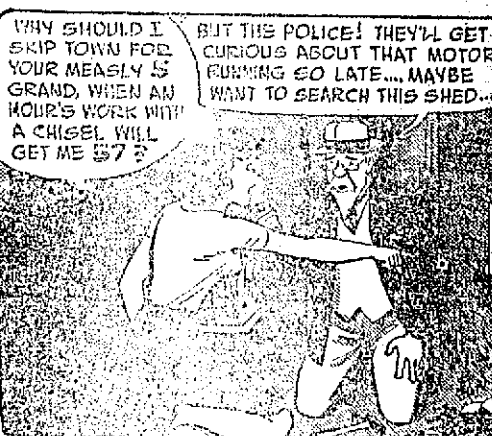
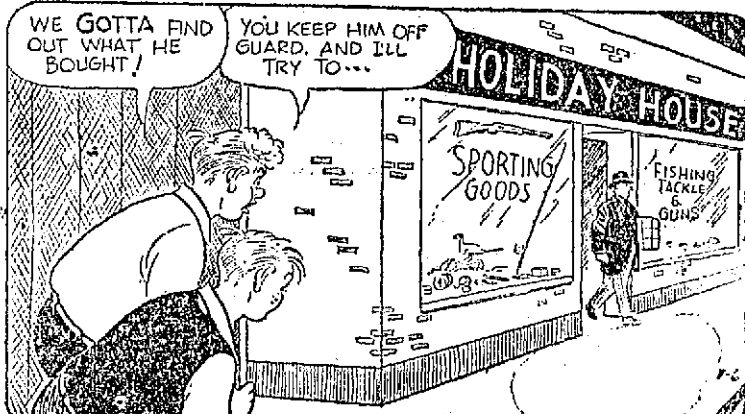
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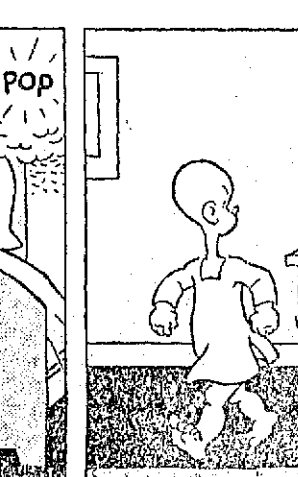
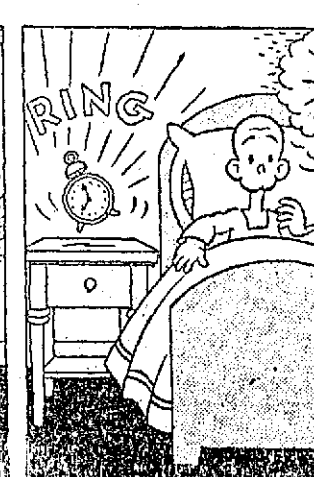
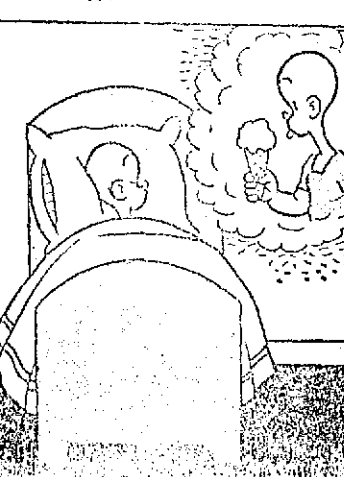


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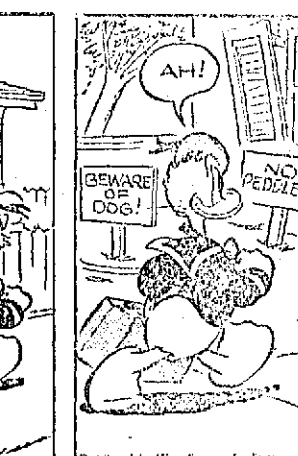
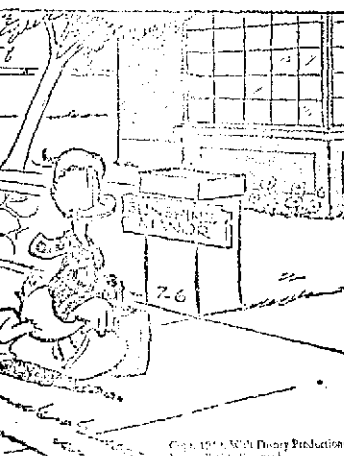


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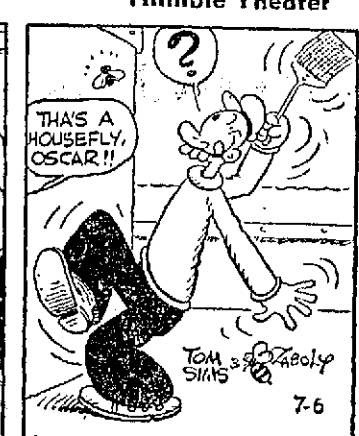
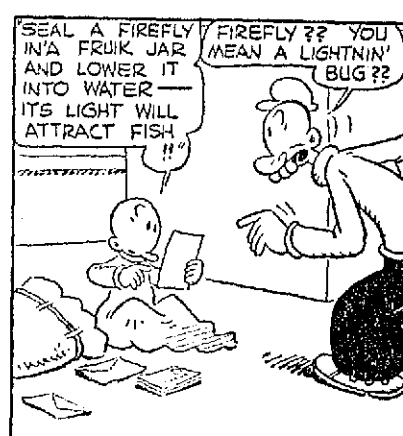
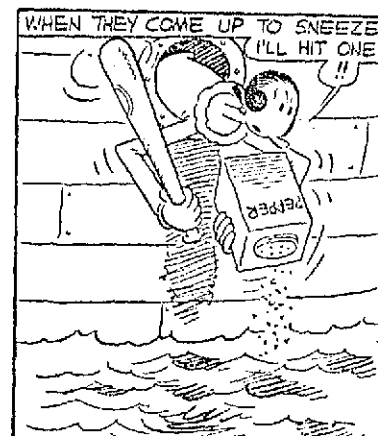
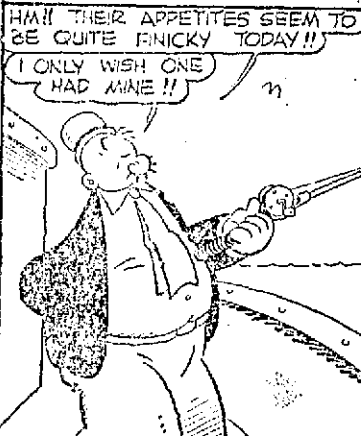
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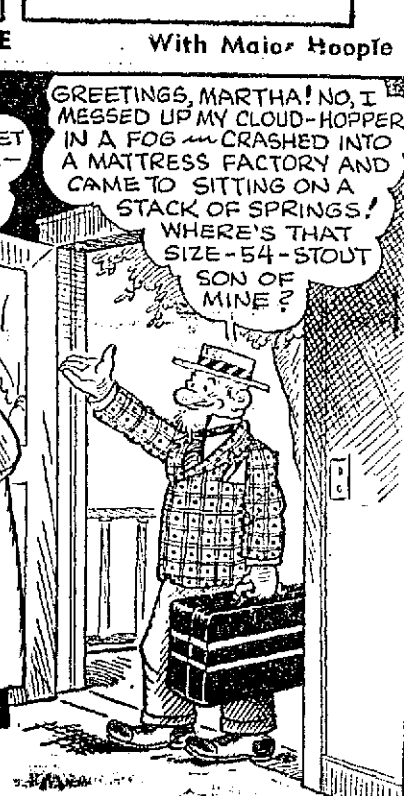
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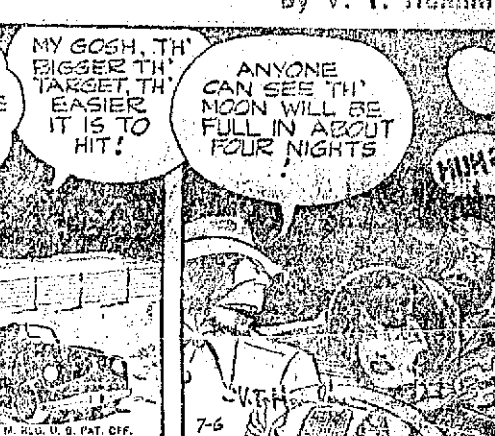
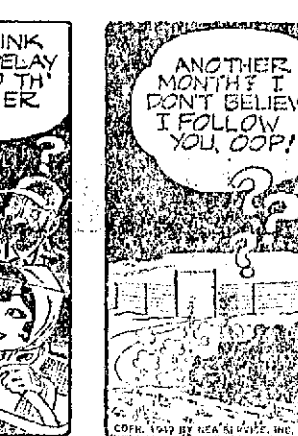
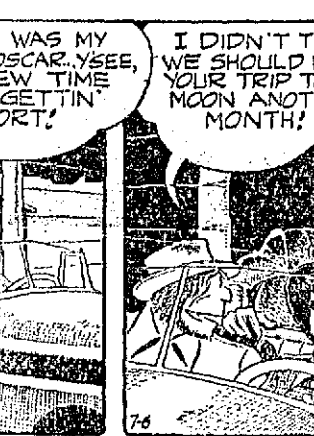
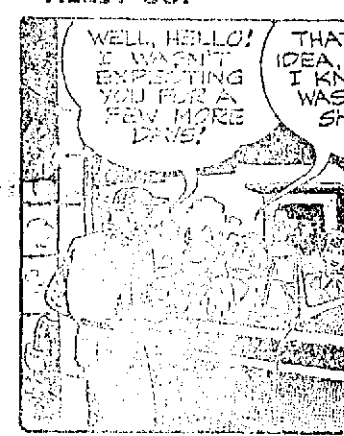
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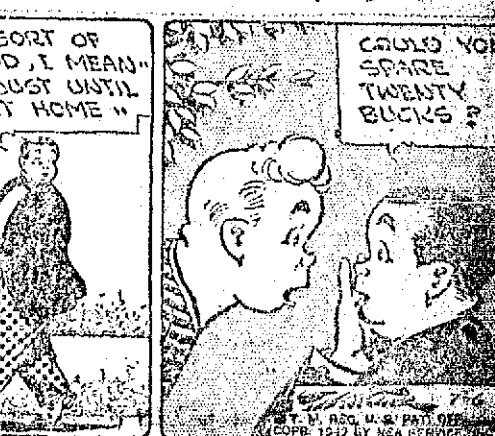
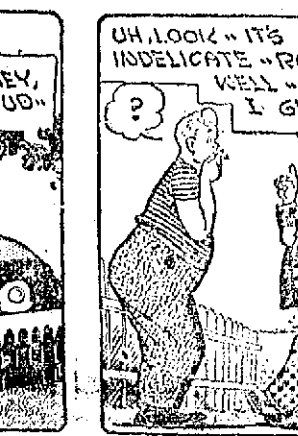
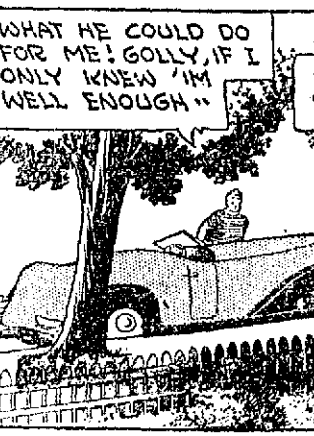
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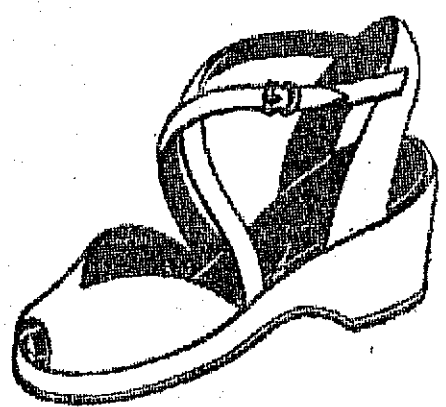
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